

EXHIBIT A

United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

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BASF AGRO V CIPLA LIMITED, 2011-1471

Response to Oral Argument Order

Attorney **Jonathan G. Graves** acknowledges that oral argument is scheduled on
January 11, 2012 at 10:00 A.M.

Please check the appropriate box:

- ☐ Oral Argument is waived.
- ☐ Oral Argument is waived though opposing counsel may choose to argue.
- ☐ The individual named below will argue:

Name: _____
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Note: In order to argue an appeal, an attorney must enter an appearance (*if an entry of appearance is first submitted within 30 days of the scheduled argument, the attorney must file a motion for leave to file the entry of appearance*) and be authorized to practice before this court. (See Fed. Cir. R. 47.3)

Remarks:

Date: _____

Signature: _____

PLEASE FILE THIS FORM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE
DATE INDICATED ON THE ORDER AND SERVE A COPY ON
OPPOSING COUNSEL.

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INFORMATION SHEET

The **Oral Argument Order** contains the names of counsel who we believe will argue the appeal, based on the notices of appearance that are on file.

Please advise this office immediately, by returning the pink sheet, but in any event no later than the due date of the Order, of the name(s) of counsel who will argue the appeal (see paragraph 1 of the enclosed Notice to Counsel on Oral Argument).

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Counsel may elect to submit the case on the briefs without prejudice to full consideration of the issues.

The identity of the judges on the panel will not be revealed until 9 a.m. on the day of oral argument for the morning session, and 11 a.m. for the afternoon session.

Counsel are encouraged to continue settlement discussions and are requested to notify the Clerk promptly if they come to an agreement that the appeal may be voluntarily dismissed.

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Calendar Announcement (Sitting in Washington,
(This calendar is subject to revision.)

****Panel A:** Monday, January 9, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 201

2010-5155	CFC	CONSOLIDATED EDISON CO OF NY V US	[argued]
2011-1018	DCT	AVENTIS PHARMA V HOSPIRA	[argued]
2011-7025	CVA	ROSS V DVA	[argued]
2011-1303	DCT	TECSEC V INTL BUSINESS MACHINES	[argued]
2011-5086	CFC	VISCONI V US	[on the briefs]
2011-3155	MSPB	CARLSON V MSPB	[on the briefs]

****Panel B:** Monday, January 9, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 402

2011-5024	CFC	ALPHA I V US	[argued]
2011-7034	CVA	MACKLEM V DVA	[argued]
2011-1106	DCT	CREA V CITY OF HOPE	[argued]
2011-1307	DCT	AFTG-TG V WINBOND ELECTRONICS	[argued]
2011-3163	MSPB	GEIREN V MSPB	[on the briefs]
2011-5126	CFC	JOHNSON V US	[on the briefs]

****Panel C:** Tuesday, January 10, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 201

2011-5052	CFC	BANNUM INC V US	[argued]
2011-1334	DCT	AVENTIS PHARMA V DR REDDYS LABS	[argued]
2011-7052	CVA	SHERFIELD V DVA	[argued]
2011-1166	DCT	IGT V ALLIANCE GAMING	[argued]
2011-1451	PTO	IN RE MOUTTET	[on the briefs]
2011-3171	MSPB	BROWN V JUSTICE	[on the briefs]

****Panel D:** Tuesday, January 10, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 402

2011-1170	DCT	STRYKER SPINE V BIEDERMANN MOTECH	[argued]
2011-7101	CVA	RAZO V DVA	[argued]
2011-1339	DCT	3M COMPANY V AVERY DENNISON CORP	[argued]
2011-5103	CFC	JADE TRADING V US	[argued]
2011-3172	MSPB	JONES V VA	[on the briefs]
2011-7167	CVA	HARLSTON V DVA	[on the briefs]

****Panel E:** Tuesday, January 10, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 203

2011-1204	DCT	TOSHIBA CORP V IMATION CORP	[argued]
2011-1375	DCT	RED BEND SOFTWARE V GOOGLE	[argued]
2011-5091	CFC	GOLDINGS V US	[argued]
2011-7061	CVA	MORRIS V DVA	[argued]
2011-3176	MSPB	TILLACKDHARRY V MSPB	[on the briefs]
2011-7173	CVA	GARCIA RODRIGUEZ V DVA	[on the briefs]

**Panel F: Wednesday, January 11, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 201

2011-3025	MSPB	WILLIAMS-CARTER V SSA	[argued]
2011-1201	BCA	PARSONS GLOBAL V ARMY	[argued]
2011-1215	DCT	EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES V COREVALVE	[argued]
2011-1379	DCT	LEDERGERBER MEDICAL V WL GORE	[argued]
2011-3184	MSPB	SMITH V USPS	[on the briefs]
2011-7174	CVA	SAVITZ V DVA	[on the briefs]

**Panel G: Wednesday, January 11, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 402

2011-3060	MSPB	HERNANDEZ V DEFENSE	[argued]
2011-1218	DCT	POWER INTEGRATIONS V FAIRCHILD SEM	[argued]
2011-1250	PTO	IN RE WIENEKE	[argued]
2011-1471	DCT	BASF AGRO V CIPLA LIMITED	[argued]
2011-3188	MSPB	IRVING V MSPB	[on the briefs]
2011-7175	CVA	LYNCH V DVA	[on the briefs]

**Panel H: Thursday, January 12, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 201

2011-3061	MSPB	BALDWIN V VA	[argued]
2011-1229	DCT	ERGO LICENSING V CAREFUSION 303	[argued]
2011-1258	PTO	LENS.COM V 1-800 CONTACTS	[argued]
2011-1391	DCT	MEDEVA PHARMA SUISSE V PAR PHARMA	[argued]
2011-3078	MSPB	GROSECLOSE V NAVY	[on the briefs]
2011-3189	MSPB	BATCHELOR V MSPB	[on the briefs]

**Panel I: Thursday, January 12, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 402

2011-1286	PTO	IN RE ELBERS	[argued]
2011-1221	DCT	MAGSIL CORP V HITACHI GLOBAL	[argued]
2011-3084	MSPB	WHITMORE V LABOR	[argued]
2011-1390	DCT	NOAH SYSTEMS V INTUIT INC	[argued]
2011-3098	MSPB	TYLER V ARMY	[on the briefs]
2011-3190	MSPB	LAZARO V VA	[on the briefs]

**Panel J: Thursday, January 12, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 203

2011-1224	CIT	FORD MOTOR CO V US	[argued]
2011-1243	DCT	ADVANCED FIBER TECH V J&L FIBER	[argued]
2011-3107	MSPB	ROY V MSPB	[argued]
2011-1376	PTO	IN RE MONTGOMERY	[argued]
2011-3117	MSPB	BENTON-EL V AIR FORCE	[on the briefs]
2011-3195	MSPB	STANLEY V MSPB	[on the briefs]

**Panel K: Friday, January 13, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 201

2011-1087	ITC	LINCOLN ELECTRIC CO V ITC	[argued]
2011-1237	CIT	CHINA FIRST PENCIL V US	[argued]
2011-1296	DCT	INTERMEC TECHNOLOGIES V PALM INC	[argued]
2011-1377	PTO	SOUTHERN STATES V COLOR ME MINE	[argued]
2011-3132	MSPB	MCDAVIS V MSPB	[on the briefs]
2011-3199	MSPB	WADE V OPM	[on the briefs]

**Panel L: Friday, January 13, 2012, 10:00 A.M., Courtroom 402

2011-1098	ITC	COGNEX CORP V ITC	[argued]
2011-1280	CIT	ALDEN LEEDS V US	[argued]
2011-1301	DCT	CLS BANK V ALICE CORPORATION	[argued]
2011-1378	PTO	ADAIR V CARTER	[argued]
2011-3152	MSPB	ANTES V OPM	[on the briefs]
2011-3202	MSPB	WRIGHT V MSPB	[on the briefs]

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COURTROOM DECORUM

- The dignity of the Court is to be respected and maintained at all times.
- Attire for counsel and spectators should be restrained and appropriate to the dignity of a Court of Appeals of the United States.
- Court security officers and Court staff are authorized to open and inspect any item carried into a courtroom.
- Everyone in the courtroom, unless physically challenged, must rise when the judges enter and remain standing until the presiding judge invites everyone to be seated. Similarly, when court adjourns, everyone stands in place until the judges are no longer visible.
- Standing in the courtroom may be permitted only at the discretion of the Clerk. Areas marked as reserved are for Court Staff and Federal Circuit Law Clerks.
- Counsel may address the court when invited to do so. Only counsel associated with the appeal being argued may address the Court, unless a judge directs otherwise.
- Coat racks in the hallways outside the courtrooms are to be utilized.
- Only material related to the Court's business can be read in the courtroom while court is in session.
- When Court is in session, no one should be heard except for counsel making argument or a judge.
- The following items are prohibited in the courtroom and adjacent lobby area:
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 - Cameras, including those contained in computers and other electronic devices
 - Food and drink except for the water provided at the counsel table
 - Computers (except for those to be used by counsel in argued cases)
 - Phones must be turned off
- Inappropriate facial gestures or exaggerated gesticulating are forbidden.
- Repeated entrances and departures are to be avoided.
- Doorways and passageways should be kept clear at all times.

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By Subway:

Take Metro's Blue or Orange Line to the McPherson Square Station. Exit following signs toward the White House. At street level take Vermont Avenue (bear left at the top of the escalator) in the direction of H Street. Crossing H Street, Vermont Avenue becomes Madison Place. The National Courts Building's main entrance is midblock on the east side of the street.

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Madison Place is closed to vehicular traffic. State your destination as "H and Vermont" or "H and Madison Place". An entryway to the courtyard of the National Courts Building is located on the south side of H Street, adjacent to the Dolley Madison House, 1520 H Street, NW., and it provides access to the main entrance to the courthouse.

By Car:

From the North: I-95 and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway connect with I-495/95 (Capital Beltway). Follow Baltimore-Washington Parkway, which becomes New

York Avenue, into the downtown area. MD 97 (Georgia Avenue) to 16th Street also provides a direct connection to the downtown area.

From the South: I-95 connects directly with I-395 (Shirley Highway) for easy access to the 14th Street corridor downtown.

From the West: I-270 connects directly with I-495 and in conjunction with MD 355 (Wisconsin Avenue), or Connecticut Avenue, provides access to the downtown area. I-66 also provides a direct connection to the downtown area, but it is HOV-2 (carpools and buses only) during rush hours.

From the East: Direct access to the downtown area is provided by US 50 and New York Avenue.

Automobile access to the courthouse is limited to H Street, which is one-way, eastbound.

Parking:

The National Courts Building does not have public parking. Some meter parking is available on H, I (Eye), 14th and 15th Streets, and New York Avenue. Public garages or parking lots are located at: 1420 and 1425 New York Avenue; 1401 New York Avenue (enter on H Street near 14th Street); and 815 14th Street.

Accessibility to the disabled:

A flight of steps leads to the courtyard level and main entrance of the courthouse. However, the courtyard entryway on H Street providing alternative access to the main entrance is at sidewalk level without barriers. The Clerk's Office, Library, and all of the courtrooms are also barrier-free.

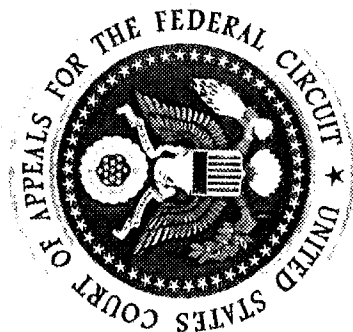
Deliveries:

Couriers must use the main entrance for delivery of briefs and other papers and follow instructions from the court security officers. Delivery of bulky items may be made at the loading dock if arrangements have been made beforehand.

Security:

The United States Marshals Service provides security for the National Courts Building. Armed court security officers guard all entrances. Visitors must pass through metal detectors, and packages are x-rayed. Visitors also must sign in and out, and wear badges authorizing access to the floors to be visited.

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Notice to Counsel
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Notice to Counsel on Oral Argument

1. The name(s) of counsel who will argue on each side and the order in which they will argue must be given to the clerk by the date indicated in the Court order. Changes in counsel shall be promptly reported to the clerk. Last minute postponements due to the sudden unavailability of counsel, especially when counsel practices in a firm, will ordinarily not be permitted, resulting in the case being submitted without argument from that side.

2. The court convenes at 10:00 a.m. for morning sessions and at 2:00 p.m. for afternoon sessions. Counsel scheduled to argue must register in the clerk's office (Room 401) between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. for morning sessions and between 1:00 and 1:30 p.m. for afternoon sessions. Counsel entitled to open and close the argument will be asked if they wish to reserve a portion (usually five minutes) of their allotted time for rebuttal. If argument time is to be divided between co-counsel, the clerk must also be so advised at this time. If counsel will not need the entire time allotted, it should be surrendered to the clerk when registering. Time may also be surrendered during the argument.

3. Admissions to the bar are the first order of business. The applicant for admission with sponsor must report to the clerk's office not later than one hour before the session. Please alert the clerk to any special pronouncement of the applicant's or sponsor's name.

4. Cases are called in the order indicated on the calendar posted outside the courtroom. The names of the judges constituting the panel appear on the posted

calendar and on the bench. Counsel should remain in the courtroom or its immediate vicinity until their case is reached.

5. The digital clock on the podium provides the time remaining of your argument:

Green Light: You are within allotted time.

Red Light: You are in prearranged rebuttal time.
You have used all available time.

When the red light illuminates, your time is finished and you are to stop. The time appearing on the clock now is how long you are continuing past your allotted time.

6. Inquiry should not be made of the Presiding Judge regarding the amount of time remaining.

7. The court will have read the briefs. Counsel should therefore get as promptly as possible to the issue(s) in the case.

8. Arguments are tape recorded, so counsel should speak into the lectern microphone. Clip-on microphones are available at the counsel table. The courtroom deputy can answer questions about the microphone's operation. Use of the clip-on microphone is not normally necessary unless counsel expects to speak while away from the podium, such as when moving toward an exhibit. Identify exhibits, charts, etc., used in argument by name or number, so those listening to the tape may find them in the appendix.

9. Counsel must request permission to hand an item to the bench. Counsel should have already consulted with the opposing counsel and provided a copy of the item. Permission being granted, counsel will hand the item or items to the courtroom deputy.

10. The Rules of Practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit contain more detailed information about oral argument (Rule 34), including the use of visual aids.

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